

Memorandum

Date: February 23, 2017

To: West Linn City Council, Staff and Readers

From: Eileen Stein, City Manager

Subject: City Manager's Weekly Report for February 23, 2017

Schedule

- Citizen Advisory Group/Neighborhood Association Training is scheduled for Monday, February 27 at 6:00 pm in Council Chambers.
- National Incident Management System (NIMS) Training. NIMS elected training is scheduled for Monday, February 27 at 6:30 pm in the West Linn Police Station Community Room.
- The State of the City is scheduled for Tuesday, February 28 at the West Linn Library. We will have appetizers at 5:30 pm in the community room followed by the State of the City at 6:00 pm in the main part of the library. The Robert Moore award will be awarded this night also.

Information Items

- Willamette Christian Church/Safeway/Salamo Traffic. Following the meeting with the Neighborhood Association Presidents on Tuesday night, Public Works will evaluate options for making a permanent mid-block crossing. Staff will report back to the NAP at its April 6th meeting. Mayor Axelrod and Councilor Sakelik attended this meeting. At the meeting, staff reported that ODOT has been able to add 10 seconds to the left turn movement at the bottom of Salamo to create additional capacity to move more vehicles through one signal phasing. Meanwhile church officials will encourage the congregation to use the church parking lot as much as possible.
- LOT WTP. Also on Tuesday night at the monthly LOT Neighborhood Meeting, Councilor Perry and City and LOT staff attended to address lingering questions asked by neighbors in the vicinity of the plant. Notes were taken and the answers to the questions will be distributed to those who attended.
- Staffing Updates. This week Officer Tom Newberry was notified of his termination of employment with the West Linn Police Department after a long investigation into his social media posts last July. We are also in discussions with a preferred candidate for the position of Assistant to the City Manager and hope to make a public announcement soon. Out of 183 applications received, six finalists were interviewed last week.
- Stafford Reserves Special Meeting. The Council met this week in a Special Meeting to outline its policy with respect to the LUBA remand on the Stafford urban reserve designation. Testimony is being prepared for a March 2nd public hearing before the Metro Council.
- PGE Rates. As part of Portland General Electric's annual update to the Oregon Public Utility Commission, PGE staff advised the OPUC that the company intends to file a rate case by the end of the month. PGE is filing this rate case as part of our continued investments in the electric system to ensure its safety, reliability and security in delivering power to our customers. We are especially focused on strengthening the grid to better prepare for storms, earthquakes, cyberattacks and other potential threats. PGE's filing with the OPUC will be the first step of a 10-month public process and is similar to the review process for long-term resource plans.